

**AGENDA FOR
City Council Members' "Noon" Meeting
Monday, April 17, 2000
Immediately Following The Directors Meeting
Conference Room 113**

I. MINUTES

1. Director's Minutes for April 10, 2000.
2. Minutes of "Noon" Council Members' Meeting of April 10, 2000.
3. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes - RE: Entryway Corridor Design Study - April 3, 2000.
4. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes - RE: EMS Task Force - April 10, 2000.
5. Pre-Council Meeting Minutes - RE: Registered Sex Offenders - April 10, 2000.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES

1. Public Building Commission (Camp/Seng)
2. ISPC Meeting (Fortenberry)
3. Board of Health (Johnson)
4. Multicultural Advisory Committee (McRoy)
5. Concert/Entertainment Task Force Meeting (McRoy)
6. Citizen's Meeting (Seng)
7. Antelope Valley MIS Study Advisory Committee Meeting (Seng)
8. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting (Shoecraft)

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

1. Memo from Jennifer Brinkman - RE: Boards and Commission Appointments (See Memo).
2. Memo from Jennifer Brinkman - RE: Boards and Commission Appointments (See Memo).

IV. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS

1. Design Workshop - A Vision for Lincoln's Public Way Corridors - on Tuesday, April 18, 2000 from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at 2620 Fairfield Street - (See Invitation).
2. Vintage 2000 - Wine Casting Event - To Benefit The CHAD Endowment Fund - on Friday, April 28, 2000 in Vintage Heights at 84th & Old Cheney Road - 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Tour 10 Decorated Homes, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Wine Tasting & Horsd'oeuvres - Entertainment Provided by The Lightning Bugs - \$25.00 for Individuals & \$40.00 per Couple - Please RSVP by April 21, 2000. (See Invitation).
3. Come Join In The Fun - Trendwood Park & Playground Dedication - on Tuesday, April 18, 2000 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. - At Trendwood Park, 77th & "A" Street - (See Invitation).
4. Public Works & Utilities Advisory - Arterial Rehabilitation - Holdrege Street from 67th to 71st Streets - on Thursday, April 20, 2000 from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. at The Cotner Center Condominiums, 1540 North Cotner Blvd. (Enter on Fairfax Street) - (See Invitation).

V. COUNCIL MEMBERS

VI. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - NONE

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Continue Discussion with Paul Malzer regarding the Public Forum.
2. Council discussion if they would like to do the "Remember Me" dolls (See Material).

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS "NOON" MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2000
CONFERENCE ROOM 113

Council Members Present: Coleen Seng, Chair; Jeff Fortenberry; Vice-Chair; Jon Camp, Jonathan Cook, Cindy Johnson, Annette McRoy, Jerry Shoecraft; **ABSENT:** None

Others Present: Ann Harrell, Mayor's Office; Dana Roper, City Attorney; Paul Malzer, City Clerk; Darrell Podany, Aide to Council Member Camp; Joan Ray, City Council Secretary; and Chris Hain, *Lincoln Journal Star* Representative.

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Ms. Seng, Council Chair, requested a motion to approve the above-listed minutes. Annette McRoy moved to approve the minutes, as presented. The motion was seconded by Jonathan Cook and carried by the following vote: AYES: Jon Camp, Jonathan Cook, Jeff Fortenberry, Cindy Johnson, Annette McRoy, Coleen Seng, Jerry Shoecraft; NAYS: None.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES

1. PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION (Camp/Seng) Ms. Seng reported that there was a tiny bit of discussion about parking, stating that to those concerned about paying for parking...it's coming.

There is a policy on candle usage in both buildings. The policy is No Candles...no open flames.

There was discussion about placing brochures at the Information Desk in the County-City Building lobby. There had been many people requesting to place their favorite brochure at the Information Desk. This will no longer be permitted....there will be no brochures accepted for distribution. Mr. Cook asked what kind of brochures were being discussed, wondering if it would be other

peoples' brochures that were prohibited. Ms. Seng explained that City brochures would be allowed, but all other organizations that were wanting to place their brochures will not be allowed to do so. Mr. Roper indicated that this would clarify the practice. (This would not include the "Daily Nebraskan" UN-L's student newspaper which is distributed from the Information Desk)

Ms. Seng commented that there had been a concern between Chief Casady and Sheriff Wagoner regarding the access to the Hall of Justice Building. She stated that the PBC asked Don Killeen to send a notice out to all employees about security. The previous decision of everyone going through the security system will remain in effect, with exceptions; and these exceptions will be noted. Mr. Roper confirmed this and believed that it will all be fine.

Mr. Shoecraft asked who was pushing again for Council to pay for parking. Ms. Seng noted it was probably the lack of finances that was pushing the point. Mr. Camp stated that it is for City Staff. He noted the concern was, down the road, getting a facility that will accommodate the need of all the employees, when there is no money to build it.

Mr. Shoecraft asked then, when Council started showing up on Mondays, if they would have to start paying for parking. Ms. Seng commented that the money might come out of the Council Members' budgeted discretionary dollars.

Ms. Seng continued, noting that there had been a long discussion on design services. The maintenance bidding process discussion continued for what seemed to be forever. It was decided that the Commission wanted Don Killeen to continue to handle that. A piece of it was that there is one room in Merwick's department [Building & Safety] and a room that Luxford [5City TV] has which have to have special cooling or the equipment in those rooms will be damaged.

Ms. Harrell commented that Vince Mejer had been requested to come to the Directors Meeting on Wednesday upon Ms. Seng's wondering how the administration felt about these issues. She had Mr. Mejer explain everything to the Mayor and the Directors at the same time to see if they could come up with solutions.

Ms. Seng reported that the Open House for the two "new" buildings had also been discussed. The Open House ceremony portion will be Friday, May 5th at 1:30 p.m. Ms. Seng requested all the Council Members to note that on their calendars. On Saturday, May 6th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. both buildings will be open to the Public for the Open House. Ms. Ray commented that she had received inquiries as to whether Council Members would be in their offices during the Open House on May 6th. Ms. Johnson noted that she would be out of town. The other Council Members did not know if their schedules would accommodate their attendance at the Open House. *[Ms. Seng later indicated that she would be in and out of the Council Office during the Open House]*

Ms. Seng commented that the Open House was important because people have not had an opportunity to see the new building. Ms. Johnson didn't know why Council Members should be present, stating that the Public could just look into the offices to see what's in there...one cubicle or one office is pretty much the same as another. Ms. McRoy asked if people were really interested. Mr. Cook commented that he thought people ought to see how pathetic the Council's accommodations really are. [Laughter]

Ms. Ray inquired if Council wanted Staff members present during the Open House. Ms. Seng indicated that one or the other of the Staff should be there. Ms. Ray agreed to come in for the Open House.

Mr. Camp noted that The Old Fed was also discussed briefly at the PBC Meeting.

2. ISPC(Fortenberry) - Mr. Fortenberry reported that primarily two items had been discussed. One was that as the Web Assistant idea is developed, each department would be able to transfer their information to the Internet. Gradations of the position were discussed...not so much in terms of personnel rank, but in terms of qualification levels. The lowest would be novice, then moving to the second level while the third tier person would be someone with more substantial experience so they would filter that person's ability to put things directly on the server. Right now, everything has to be filtered through the IS staff.

He also mentioned taxation issues on which he had some material that he would distribute to Council at a later time.

3. BOARD OF HEALTH (Johnson) Ms. Johnson reported that the meeting had been a long one. Many things were discussed. The most important issues began with the Public Health Nursing. The Health Department has experienced an increase of 1,000 new clients during just this last year. The involvement in hazardous wastes increased by 40%. It was a pretty good informational meeting.

The Medical Society came in and discussed the oversight situation on the EMS.

There was also a great deal of discussion on Animal Control. We had asked the Health Department to form a committee to review all the available information. Ms. Johnson notified Ms. McRoy [who serves on the Animal Control Task Force] that the Task Force is being discontinued and explained that Ms. McRoy would be receiving a letter to that effect soon. Ms. Johnson explained that the reason for discontinuing the Task Force is that they felt what is happening is that those who have been sitting on the committee haven't gotten to the issues that the Council has requested that they address. So, The Board of

Health's June meeting will offer an open public hearing regarding how to address animal control issues, because there are statutes that the City has been charged with by the state to enforce; but there are other parts that have not been put to our charge. Ms. Johnson explained that the Committee members kind of teamed up with one another, aligning either towards privatization or not, which was not the purpose of the group. The group wasn't getting anywhere, so the Health Board is going to be handling this as a body with a few people looking at animal control issues. Then the Board will reconvene the group with all the information they collect.

Ms. Seng asked if the direction was to move Animal Control out of the Health Department? Ms. Johnson answered that that was really not the purpose of the group. It was really to get information on what all is needed and on the dynamics of the issues, then set down and figure out what needs to be done. But, what happened was that people pulled together in factions and they weren't getting accurate data for the decision makers to consider. It was more taking sides on issues rather than making decisions on them. So, the Board will oversee the information gathering and then we'll move forward on whether or not Animal Control or portions thereof, should or should not be under the Health Department. Then a recommendation will be made to Council for the final decision.

4. MULTICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (McRoy) - Ms. McRoy reported that the only news is that since the Affirmative Action Officer title is held by Georgia Glass, who is also the Personnel Director, they are moving toward separating that from her job duties and moving those duties to another person by this Spring. Questions arose, including such issues as where the position should be located as far as budget funding was concerned. The Mayor's Office would like to see it attached to that office, as Ed Wimes was in the past.

Ms. Seng asked if that was what MAC wanted? Ms. McRoy responded that this is what MAC wanted from the beginning, but had agreed to give the Mayor's original proposal a try; but they've never stopped wanting that...so it appears that in the near future, it will be happening.

5. CONCERT/ENTERTAINMENT TASK FORCE (McRoy) Cancelled due to the Ballpark Opening. Ms. McRoy observed that there was an editorial in the Daily Nebraskan stating that there were not enough students on the Task Force. She reported that Jim Ritzman was going to respond to the editorial. People were invited to attend and it has been a very open process. At the first few meetings there had been a lot of students, both University and High School, but that attendance dwindled off.

6. CITIZEN'S MEETING (Seng) - No Report

7. ANTELOPE VALLEY MIS STUDY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Seng)
Ms. Seng commented that the Corp of Engineers Report and the Draft Environmental Impact Statement are both about to be released. If all goes as Ms. Seng thinks it might, we will probably have a Town Hall Meeting and at the same time have the Public Hearings on the Corp of Engineers' Feasibility Report and the Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Ms. Seng commented on the precision and polished appearance of the Corp of Engineers' Report. She commented to Mark Hunzeker about the presenter being "just like the military"...and Mr. Hunzeker asked her where she thought the Corp of Engineers comes from? [Laughter] Mr. Fortenberry noted that they had to have something to do after World War II, so they started damming up all the rivers. [Laughter]

Ms. Seng noted that both reports would have to have public hearings before being presented to the Planning Commission or the Council. That is probably what will happen. She noted that this would be Town Hall Meeting Number Three. Ms. Johnson asked when the Town Hall Meetings were planned. Ms. Seng replied that May is being targeted, but we have to wait to see when the reports come out. That may not be until June, which would delay things considerably and she commented that the Antelope Valley Advisory Committee really didn't have any control over anything until the reports have been released.

She reported discussion had also been held on Community Revitalization strategies, but most of the time was spent on the paper that John Jensen and his group had put together. They are proposing to do something different on the Transportation network from what has been proposed in the past. They are proposing one list. That is a definite departure from previously proposed plans on which there had been consensus reached in the past. The next meeting will be in May

8. PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD (Shoecraft) Mr. Shoecraft reported that the main topic discussed was the Southwood issue, which Council received a letter on. There is a parcel of land that was donated for park use to the Boy Scouts Council to build a facility. And, as you know from the letter, the neighborhood is opposed to building the facility in that location. Mr. Shoecraft noted that he had concerns about that area, too. It is always flooding; it is in the flood plain. He was not very comfortable with the area as a location for the Boy Scout facility.

Mr. Camp asked if that was on the north side of Highway 2. Mr. Shoecraft responded that, no, it is on the south side on the park land near the railroad tracks. He commented that there had been flooding there several years ago.

OTHER MEETINGS

CERTIFICATE REVIEW COMMITTEE - Mr. Shoecraft reported that the Committee had met twice. The second meeting included consultant Paul Anderson who was in Lincoln in 1993 when this had all been discussed at that time. Mr. Shoecraft noted that Mr. Anderson is here to look at the system. He had commented that he liked the RFI process for gathering more information. He will give the City more direction on what they should be looking for once the applications are all received. Mr. Anderson's role is not one of making recommendations as he did in '93 when he stated in his notes that the Fire Department and Rural/Metro were both qualified to do the job. This time he'll just be reviewing all the applications to insure that all the information necessary is included in those submitted.

Ms. Seng stated that someone had asked her about Mr. Anderson. She commented that she just barely remembered meeting with him at a Pre-Council in 1993. Ms. Johnson asked if the Council would be able to meet with him again. Mr. Shoecraft did not know, but indicated that he would ask that question. Mr. Shoecraft thought that Don Herz retained Mr. Jensen to answer any technical questions that "Vini" may have in referencing any technical language; but his role is to make sure that all the information that should be in the applications is included.

Ms. Johnson asked what the City was paying the consultant. Mr. Shoecraft noted that he did not know, but did know that he was not under contract, but was working on a 'per hour' basis. The review committee agreed that that would be good payment method. Mr. Roper indicated that he would get the information for Council, and left the meeting briefly for that purpose. Upon his return, Mr. Roper reported that Mr. Anderson was being paid at a rate of \$80.00 per hour or \$600.00/Day plus expenses. Mr. Roper noted that amount was "up to \$40,000.00", but stated that the final total would not be that high. Ms. Johnson asked if the funds would come out of the City's Legal Fund? Mr. Roper stated that it would be a budget item. It was noted that last time (1993) he was on a contract and the cost was much higher then. He is now on a 'per hour' basis and will not be working to the extent that he did then, either. Mr. Roper added that Don Herz believes the amount will be approximately \$5,000.00 for his time plus another \$5,000.00 for expenses.

JOINT COUNCIL/SCHOOL BOARD MEETING - Ms. Seng noted that there had been only two Council Members present at the last Joint Meeting. She commented that there had been a huge, long agenda. She informed the Council Members that they would be receiving information from the President of the School Board dealing with the meeting schedule. She stated that the School Board is very upset that the rest of the Council Members are not attending the meetings. She noted that Ed Zimmer would be sending out a schedule with a variety of times for Council to choose from if rescheduling of the meeting times will ensure better attendance by Council Members.

Ms. Seng distributed materials to Council which she had received at the meeting from Allan Abbott on the infrastructure construction of the new high schools. She explained that they had received a letter from LIBA asking if all of this would be done. This is Allan's answer and the Mayor's prepared statement to LIBA on this issue.

Next month's agenda will include the Arnold Heights Rec Center, because that was a requested discussion matter. The next meeting will be June 8th and 7:30 a.m. Carla Decker from the "F" Street Rec Center announced the ground-breaking for that new facility will be June 2nd.

There was a lot of discussion about the traffic patterns at 27th and Old Cheney and South 40th and San Mateo Drives. Both of those locations will have speed studies done. There were a great many City Staff in attendance at the meeting from various departments, including Planning Staff on the Stevens Creek Basin.

The schematics for the two new high schools were also presented there for consideration. Ms. Seng asked Mr. Camp if he had anything else to add to the meeting report? Mr. Camp noted that Ms. Seng was doing a great job of covering the information presented at the meeting. Mr. Camp did mention that the biggest presentation of all was at the beginning of the meeting. Ms. Seng noted that Mr. Camp's daughter was there to make a presentation on the Daughters-to-Work program.

Mr. Fortenberry asked if the *time* these joint meetings are scheduled was addressed? Ms. Seng noted that, even though the member who had wanted that included for discussion, Jonathan Cook, was not there, the issue was discussed. Mr. Cook noted that he thought there were five Council members who wanted that issue on the agenda for discussion. Mr. Camp noted that options had not been discussed. Ms. Seng commented that Mr. Zimmer would be sending the survey out. Mr. Camp asked what people would think about doing it early Monday mornings? Mr. Fortenberry recommended alternate sites as well.

Ms. Johnson commented that when she sees an agenda as long as that one, she just doesn't have the time to dedicate to the meeting. Some of the presentations are just informational and sometimes cover information that she has

already received. She didn't feel the meeting would be one that she can place as a high prioritization on her tight schedule. She felt reading through the minutes would be just as informative, noting that those who hold down jobs have to prioritize their time for these functions, weighing the importance of the issues being discussed and the informational opportunities available on those issues.

Ms. Seng commented that when Council Members receive the survey sheets from Mr. Zimmer, that all of this information can be included. Mr. Shoecraft agreed with Ms. Johnson's assessment of the situation.

III APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS :

Memos from Jennifer Brinkman Re: - Noted Without Comment

Charter Revision Commission

D. Bert Harris (replacing Patrick Pfaltzgraff) - Term Expires 07/15/00

Lincoln-Lancaster County Commission on Aging Advisory Board

Barb McCabe (Reappointment) Term Expires 07/01/02

Dale Nelson (Reappointment) Term Expires 07/01/02

Bonnie Armstrong (Replacing Diane Rolfsmeyer, who resigned) Term Expires 07/01/00

Mary Kyckelhahn (vacancy since 1997) Term Expires 07/01/0

Barry Moore (Vacancy since 1997) Term Expires 07/01/00

Leonard Smith (Vacancy since 1997) Term Expires 07/01/00

Sheryl Jordan (Vacancy since 1998) Term Expires 07/01/01

Phyllis Bovee (Replacing Jean Augustine, term ended 1999) Term Expires 07/01/02

Gayle Mandeville (Replacing Marg Sommer, term ended 1999) Term Expires 07/01/02

Elaine Morgan (Replacing Pearl Van Zandt, term ended 1999) Term Expires 07/01/02

Lincoln Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council

Barb McCabe (Reappointment) Term Expires 07/01/02

Phyllis Bovee (Replacing Jean Augustine, Term ended 1999) Term Expires 07/01/02

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Elaine Morgan (Replacing Marg Sommer, Term ended 1999) Term Expires 07/01/02

Government Access and Information Committee

James C. Lamphere (Replacing Greg Aschoff, who resigned) Term Expires 01/01/01

IV. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS - Including Addendum - Noted without Significant Comment.

V. COUNCIL MEMBERS

JON CAMP - No Further Comments

JONATHAN COOK - Mr. Cook discussed the direction he would like Council to give John Bradley regarding the Planning Package for Change of Zones along West Van Dorn as set out in the Memo from Mr. Bradley at this morning's Directors' Meeting.. Mr. Cook noted that he would like to vote for the package as it is. But, because there is some controversy on the southeast corner about whether this is appropriate or not, we'll try to make the owners of that property happy by delaying this until that person brings forward a change of zone request on the R-3 in an L-shape around the back of that property. The B-1 is currently there, on all three corners (all 1.43 acres each). Everybody has agreed to this except for the owner of the southeast corner property and we thought that he had agreed. But, we'll back off and delay the package of the B-1 to B-2 zone changes until the R-3 to B-2 change comes forward on that 3 acres surrounding. Then everything will be changed to B-2 at one time.

Mr. Cook wanted to make sure, since they were adding three more acres of B-2 to the corner, that we ask for a use permit on the southeast corner that has appropriate restrictions just for that site. He wanted an extra level of review for anything that might go there for the Capital Environs Commission. If there are some landscaping issues that need to be discussed, Planning can do so as part of the generic use permit. We don't know the specific uses, but we can put those items in place. So, we need to decide if that is the direction we want to give Planning - bring forward a use permit and the change of zone to B-2 on the R-3 property and consider everything as one package except the conditions under the use permit. Everyone agreed that this was what they wanted to direct Mr. Bradley to do.

JEFF FORTENBERRY - Mr. Fortenberry asked if everyone had received the letter regarding the change in the sign ordinance and asked if anyone had any concerns about that. Mr. Shoecraft commented that if someone really wanted to get a good visual fix on the situation, to drive down 40th Street just before reaching Pine Lake Road between Hy-Vee and the Highway - you'll see those buildings there and the signage in that area, which Council agreed was a very good example of signage. Ms. Seng noted that some signage can be too small, which is not good business.

Mr. Fortenberry commented that he would support the current bill because Staff has recommended approval of the proposal which came from Nebraska Sign Company.

Mr. Camp noted that Council still has approval rights on each sign under the special use permits so they can't just go in and do anything they want. Mr. Cook stated that Council has the authority to adjust items 2, 3 and 4 in the current legislation, which covers the location of signs next to entranceway and those identifying buildings. However, Item 1, which changes it to 250 square foot maximum or 10% of the building face, doesn't have any adjustment option for the Council. Someone could, potentially, put up a 250 square foot sign if they chose to do so. Should we worry about that happening? Ms. Seng asked if Council should ask Staff about that? Mr. Cook noted that Council always has the use permit which gives us some power depending on when

the use permit comes forward. If it comes forward with the change of zone, we can regulate it as we want. But, if it comes forward later... Mr. Fortenberry asked who would remember that? Ms. Seng noted that Staff would have to remind Council.

CINDY JOHNSON - No Further Comments

ANNETTE McROY - No Further Comments

COLEEN SENG - Ms. Seng inquired if all the Council Members had received the note on the Rotary Luncheon being free to public officials. The Council Members indicated that the attendance would remain as it currently stands with Coleen Seng, Jerry Shoecraft and Jon Camp confirming attendance; Annette McRoy offering a "maybe"; Cindy Johnson, Jonathan Cook and Jeff Fortenberry confirming a "No Attendance".

JERRY SHOECAFT - No Further Comments

ANN HARRELL - Ms. Harrell commented that Trendwood Park Playground was being dedicated tomorrow. Ms. Seng answered yes and noted that it was very nice of Ms. Linda Wilson to have used some of her left-over campaign dollars for playground equipment there. Ms. Harrell noted that it was nearly \$8,000.00, which is a large share toward the total amount. Ms. Harrell will make comments for the Mayor's Office at the dedication ceremony.

DANA ROPER - Mr. Roper requested a 30 Minute Pre-Council on May 1st on "Zoning Adult Uses" - The Planning Department and Law Department would be involved in this Non-Executive Session Pre-Council. *[No time was available for another pre-council on May 1st. This presentation was scheduled for May 8th - Dana Roper and the Planning Department notified 4-18-00]*

VI. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - (From Addendum) -

1. Mayor's request to Council (from Gene Hanlon - Mayor Wesely out of town) Memo regarding the Environmental Award Ceremony - This year the event is scheduled for Thursday, April 27, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cooperative Extension Service Building, 444 Cherrycreek Road - A dessert buffet will be provided. They would like to request that a representative of the City Council give the closing remarks and present the awards on behalf of the City. *Council unanimously appointed Jonathan Cook to represent the Mayor and Council at this function. Gene Hanlon has been notified (4-17-00) and will send appropriate informational materials for Mr. Cook.*

VII. MISCELLANEOUS -

1. Continued Discussion with Paul Malzer regarding the Public Forum. Council discussed this issue, again. Clerk Malzer stated that over the years, citizens have asked if they could be placed on the formal Council Agenda to come before the Council with their concerns. If Council adopts the option of recommendation (recommending to the public that they notify the City Clerk on the Wednesday prior to the formal Council meeting) this would give the Public a mechanism for being placed on the formal agenda that has been lacking. In the past, if someone wished to address the Council, that person would have to sit through the entire meeting and make the address at the very end under the “open mike” portion of the meeting.

This “recommendation proposal” would not limit the Public’s access to the “open mike”, but would allow Council the opportunity to review the citizens’ concerns and be better able to give an effective response and also allow Council to have Staff available for answering questions or concerns.

Council’s final decision was to have the Chair include in the opening remarks that Council **(highly) recommends** notification to the City Clerk the Wednesday prior to formal Council presentations if a constituent wants to address the Council. The issue will then be placed on the formal Agenda for that following Monday’s meeting. This was a general consensus agreement from the entire Council. *Clerk Malzer prepared a sample for a written version of this instruction to be placed on each weeks agenda with dates included so the Public will have a written date reference for notification deadline - rather than merely including the recommendation in the opening remarks of each meeting.*

2. Council discussion as to whether or not they would like to participate in the “Remember Me” dolls campaign. Council determined that one doll to be displayed in the Council Office would be an appropriate avenue for Council participation and support of this effort. Ms. Seng instructed Ms. Ray to notify Ms. LaDeane Jha, of the L-L Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Coalition of the Council’s decision and to request delivery of the “Remember Me” doll for display through the May 8-19th “Remember Me” campaign. [Voice-mail message left on 4-18-00]

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED - Approximately 1:10 p.m.